

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2670 - HB 2670

February 9, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides for the enactment of the *Electrician's Licensing Act of 1998* and authorizes the office of the Secretary of State to implement the provisions of this bill. It also provides that violations of this bill are a Class A misdemeanor. This bill does not replace TCA 68-102-150 that requires every person, firm, corporation, or legal entity engaged in the business of installing electrical wiring, heating, or any electrical device which requires inspection by the State Fire Marshal shall register with the Division of Fire Prevention and pay a fee of \$25.00.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues -	Exceeds \$300,000/Biennially
Increase State Expenditures -	\$146,000 - Recurring
	\$12,000 - One-Time
Increase Local Govt. Revenues -	Not Significant
Increase Local Govt. Expenditures -	Less than \$100,000

Revenue is to be generated through the collection of application fees. It is estimated that applicants will pay fees in amounts sufficient to pay the cost of implementing the provisions of this bill.

Expenditure estimate assumes:

	<u>Recurring</u>	<u>One-Time</u>
4 positions - salary & benefits	\$107,000	
Operational expenses	39,000	
Computer equipment		\$12,000
TOTAL	<u>\$146,000</u>	<u>\$12,000</u>

Local impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resulting increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill.

This bill provides that county clerks will be responsible for issuing a license and a pocket card to all certified applicants who reside in their county. It is estimated that the printing of licenses and pocket cards along with associated record keeping will not exceed \$100,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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